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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Application of Tsukasa ONO, Takashi KOIZUMI, Yoshinori KAWAMURA and  
Kazuhisa OKAMOTO  
SHEET FEEDER AND SHEET FEEDING METHOD  
Assignee: **FUJI PHOTO FILM CO., LTD.**  
Our Ref: Q78608

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/664,442 (Confirmation No. 4788 (parent)) filed September 18, 2000 of Tsukasa ONO, Takashi KOIZUMI, Yoshinori KAWAMURA and Kazuhisa OKAMOTO entitled SHEET FEEDER AND SHEET FEEDING METHOD.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, eight (8) sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3652 (parent) .

**Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:**

This is a continuation of Application No. 09/664,442 filed September 18, 2000; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	11-263874	September 17, 1999

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/664,442.



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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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